

# SUSQUEHANNA RIVER BASIN COMMISSION

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## GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT IMPORTANT TO BASIN'S FUTURE

### SRBC TO MEET, DISCUSS NEED FOR SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER RESOURCES

- WHAT:** The Susquehanna River Basin Commission (SRBC) will hold a panel discussion called "Managing Groundwater for a Sustainable Future" as part of its standard bi-monthly meeting, which is open to the public. The panelists will address various issues, including:
- How key groundwater management issues affect basin businesses and agencies.
  - The key groundwater challenges in the New York State part of the Susquehanna basin.
  - How to assist conservation districts and other local interests in conserving groundwater quantity and quality in Cortland County.
  - How the business community views SRBC's groundwater regulations and efforts to balance water needs for economic development with environmental protection.
  - How to enhance general understanding of the relationship between groundwater and surface water, to ensure the sustainable development and management of productive aquifers.
  - The importance of public outreach and education to groundwater management.
- WHEN:** Wednesday, June 9, 2004  
Schedule:  
9:00 to 10:00 a.m. *Managing Groundwater* panel session  
(The entire Commission meeting runs from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.)
- WHO:** The panel participants are:
- Todd Miller, Hydrologist, U.S. Geological Survey
  - Pat Reidy, Water Quality Specialist, Cortland County Soil and Water Conservation District
  - Linda Dickerson Hartsock, Executive Director, Cortland County Business Development Corporation – Industrial Development Authority
  - Sarah McCulloch, Senior Hydrogeologist, GeoLogic NY, Inc.
  - Panel Moderator: Ken Lynch, Regional Director, Region 7, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation
- WHERE:** Holiday Inn, 2 River St., Cortland, N.Y.
- SRBC:** The Susquehanna River Basin Commission is the governing agency established under a 100-year compact signed on December 24, 1970 by the federal government and the states of New York, Pennsylvania and Maryland to protect and wisely manage the water resources of the Susquehanna River Basin. The Susquehanna River starts in Cooperstown, N.Y., and flows 444 miles to Havre de Grace, Md., where the river meets the Chesapeake Bay.

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